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SUBJECT: SPACE AGREEMENT- EXCHANGE OF BACTERIAL CULTURES

REF: (A) MOSCOW 6892

(B) NASA/ THIBIDEAU 6/14 PHONCON WITH SCIATT' S OFFICE

1. NASA NOW UNDERSTANDS THAT HALL AND VASHKOV AGREED THAT DR. WOLF VISHNIAC, CURRENTLY IN MOSCOW FOR JOINT EDITORIAL BOARD MEETING, WOULD RECEIVE SUBJECT BACTERIAL CULTURES FROM VASHKOV AND CARRY THEM BACK TO THE US VIA NEW YORK KENNEDY AIRPORT (JFK). PLEASE ADVISE IF SOME- ONE OTHER THAN VISHNIAC IS TO BE BEARER. WOULD ALSO BE HELPFUL KNOW EXPECTED FLIGHT AND DAY ARRIVAL OF BEARER.

2. NASA HAS MADE ARRANGEMENTS FOR CLEARING CULTURES FOR ENTRY INTO US WITH PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE (PHS) ON ASSUMPTION THAT VISHNIAC WILL CARRY. PHS HAS ISSUED PERMIT TO IMPORT ONE SHIPMENT OF BACTERIAL CUTLURES,
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DESCRIBED IN REFERENCE A, IN VISHNIAC'S NAME FOR ENTRY
JFK. DEPARTMENT AGRICULTURE ADVISED BY PHS. PERMIT
SENT TO PHS INSPECTOR ROBERT THOMPSON AT JFK. VISHNIAC
SHOULD SEE HIM IF ANY DIFFICULTY ARISES OR PHONE R.
HUFFAKER, CDC, ATLANTA, (404) 633-3883 OR (404) 633-5313. IF
ENTRY OTHER THAN JFK, PLEASE ADVISE IMMEDIATELY AND PERMIT WILL
BE REROUTED TO THAT PORT.

3. NASA PROPOSES SHIP EXCHANGE CULTURES, NOT KNOWN TO
BE PATHOGENIC, TO DR. VASHKOV VCEPOUCH BY JULY 10.
REQUEST VISHNIAC BE BRIEFED ON ANY PROCEDURES REQUIRED
IN ADVANCE IN US IN CONNECTION WITH THIS SHIPMENT. PORTER

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